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## weekly whirligig

**Safety Clubs . . .**

Nisei employees of a Vancouver island logging camp have organized a Safety Club for the purpose of studying the main causes of accidents in this occupation, in a definite effort to cut down the appalling number of casualties among workers.

We have known for a long time that an unusually high accidnt rate existed in logging camps. We have noted too, that a great majority of the casualties claim the virile Nisei, but up to now, nothing has been done to get to the crux of the matter. Let's hope this is only the beginning.

**Standards of Living . . .**

Once in a while the tables are turned and the shoe fits the other's foot. The Oriental has been accused more than once, whenever the question has arisen, of lowering the standards of living by a willingness to work long hours for next to nothing.

The other day I heard a different story. A young Japanese girl, who has never worked for less than $20 a month, applied for a domestic job, and the lady of the house said, "$20! Why, I can get a Canadian girl to do the same work for $10 a month!"

WELL!

**Japanese Language Question . . .**

Perhaps the most discouraging phase in this thing called "job-hunting" is to approach a prospective Canadian employer and meet the query, "Can you speak and write Japanese"?

One comes to accept this from a Japanese employer but to find it the stumbling post between you and a job in a Canadian firm is rather a bitter pill to swallow.

Yes, despite all the fuss and talk over the Japanese Language School, the Japanese language is a necessity and will be one for a long time to come.

**Questions . . .**

Why is it that authors of "How to write a prize-winning novel," "How to write saleable literature" and the like, are never found in the successful authors' list?

Why is it that heart-throb columns, beauty columns, etc., always stress the feminine side of the question. There are advice on "How to hold a husband," "How to please him," "How to attract the stronger sex," "How men like women dressed," but nothing on "How to hold a wife," "How to please the wife," etc. Perhaps it's all masculine propaganda.

**Rain . . .**

The biggest item of the week is rain. Poets may rave about "Falling summer rain" and "sheets of silver on the lawn," but for me, rain brings a deeper appreciation for things material, like the snugness of a warm bed, the rain outside coming down in torrents, and the privilege, yes, the privilege, of turning over for another forty forbidden winks; the inexpressibly comfortable feeling of taking of wet socks and toasting one's toes before a fire; the warmth of a thick overcoat and snug new rubbers.

## On The Newsfront

**Finance Minister Ilsley Thanks Fishermen for Gift**

NEW WESTMINSTER. — Appreciation of a voluntary donation of $50 made recently by the Upper River Fishermen's Association to the Department of National Defence is expressed in a letter to Tatsuro Suzuki from Minister of Finance James L. Ilsley.

Wrote the minister in part:

**"Will you please convey to the members of your Association and accept for yourself the sincere thanks of the Government as well as my own personal thanks for this generous gift. My colleagues and I appreciate deeply this evidence of your loyalty and your practical interest and support in the Dominion's part in the war."**

**Steveston Nisei Group Invests in War Certificates.**

STEVESTON. — $100 has been frozen in the treasury of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, local JCCL chapter, for 7½ years as a result of the purchase of a war savings certificate for that amount.

Executive officers decided to hold a concert in the late fall, and chose an extensive list of district councillors.

**Consul Says Farewell to Vancouver Community**

VANCOUVER. — A large group of community leaders were on hand at the Great Northern Station, Thursday evening, to say farewell to Consul Kenji Nakauchi and Madame Nakauchi, who left for Los Angeles where Mr. Nakauchi will assume a new post.

Mr. Nakauchi told The New Canadian that he had enjoyed his stay in Vancouver and would look forward to the time when he would be able to visit the city again.

**Woodfibre Japanese Give $500 to War Services**

WOODFIBRE — Japanese Canadian employees of the B. C. Pulp and Paper Co. here have donated a total of $500 to the current War Services Fund Drive.

## Parley Pledges Service To Canada

Service and duty to Canada in the capacity of loyal citizens was stressed in a resolution upheld by the annual conference of organizations. Japanese Canadian organizations meeting last Sunday at the Maruman under auspices of the Canadian Japanese Association.

The resolution urged that Japanese Canadians work steadfastly to maintain the position they have won in Canada, and to carry on despite what difficulties may be in store.

**As practical means of service to Canada, the conference went on record as urging support from all Japanese communities for the war Savings Certificates campaign, and for subsequent war loan flotations.**

$700 was voted by the conference as a mesaure of assistance to the Japanese Branch of the Canadian Legion, and support was promised to a project for the sending of comfort bays to Canadian soldiers overseas.

**Credit Union Studied**

A committee of the Canadian Japanese Association reported that one of the best means to improve financial security in the community would be to work along the lines of credit union principles.

**Steps will be taken in the near future to organize such a union, and to encourage the second generation to embark on systematic savings through this means.**

Delegates were present from nearly fifty business, professional, trade, social, fraternal and community associations, including a large number from out-of-town points.

## $750 Fellowship To Local Physicist

BERKELEY, Calif. — Announced here this week by the University of California was the award of a fellowship for the sum of $750 to Shuichi Kusaka, brilliant Nisei physicist from Vancouver.

The award will enable the well-known Vancouver-educated student to carry on with post-graduate research work in theoretical physics. Although he has qualified for his Doctor of Philosophy degree, Kusaka will not take his degree until he has completed his work. He has been engaged in research work since his graduation in 1937 from U.B.C., when he won the graduating class gold medal.

## Nisei Debaters Win Union Championship

A welcome addition to the silverware collection of the Powell Young People's Society was brought home last Monday from Mountain View Church, when Norah Fujita and Charles Kadota emerged victors over North Vancouver's St. Andrew's Society in the finals of the annual Greater Vancouver Young People's Union debate tournament.

Taking the negative of the question, "Resolved that a United States of Europe is the solution to peace in Europe," the Powell team were judged victors by Judges T. G. Norris, K.C. Killam and John Betts.

*War Services Fund*

## Citizens Support Patriotic Step

VANCOUVER, April 4.—Likelihood of over $2000 being raised in the current war services drive was expressed today by campaign officials, basing their estimates upon the response to date of canvassing.

**Several citizens have paid visits to the campaign headquarters to bring their contributions in voluntarily, it was said. They did not wish to see the Association lose anything because of its patriotic gesture.**

General approval of the move made by the Canadian Japanese Association in donating a sum of $200 in excess of the quota for the Japanese community at the start of the campaign was expressed. Canvassers have reported that citizens are very willing to donate, and have commended the action of the Association.

## New Consul Doubts U.S.-Japan War

### Finds British Atmosphere in B.C. Congenial

VANCOUVER.—Probably the youngest man ever to hold the post, the new Japaneses consul, Ichiro Kawasaki, slight, soft-spoken and fluent in English, finds the "British atmosphere" in Vancouver most congenial and much to his liking.

**The first thing that impressed him on crossing the border from the United states was the more typically British reserve, characteristic of the people. He finds it very similar to the atmosphere in which he spent "four of his most impressionable years" in the south of England.**

Interviewed at his residence Thursday afternoon upon his arrival from San Francisco, where he has been acting consul-general, Mr. Kawasaki said he doubted very strongly the possibility of war in the Pacific.

Personal relations in the Pacific Coast states, he added, continued on the same very friendly terms, with few people seriously entertaining the eventuality of war.

A graduate of the Tokyo Imperial University, the new consul joined the Foreign Office two years ago, and was present with Mr. Matsuoka at Geneva when the latter led the Japanese delegation out of the League of Nations. Subsequently he served in London and Prague, and was present in Shanghai during the height of hostilities in that city. He has been in San Francisco for the past two years.

Discussing Nisei problems with The New Canadain, Mr. Kawasaki stressed that in rural California, the Nisei are steadily building up economic security, and are not unduly concerned over the tense international situation.

## Nisei Delegates To Third Youth Meet

VANCOUVER.—Nisei delegates will as usual attend the sessions of the Provincial Youth Congress, scheduled this year for Easter week-end at the Western Sports Centre, a survey by The New Canadian indicated.

**Delegates from outside-city organizations, especially J.C.C.L. organizations, are also expected to register for the annual gathering of youth groups.**

Registration this year is not confined to official delegates, but sessions are open to any member of an accredited youth group. The fee is only 25c per person.

His Worship Mayor J. W. Cornett will formally open the Congress Friday afternoon, and Rev. James W. Melvin will deliver the keynote address.

Three commissions will consider youth problems under the following heads: 1. "Youth Earns its Daily Bread"; 2. "Youth Vitalizes Democracy"; 3. "Youth Pays the Bill".

## R.C.M.P. Register Steveston Area

**VANCOUVER — Registration offices of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will be closed from Friday, April 11 to Monday, April 14, inclusive, Sergeant J. K. Barnes announced today.**

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VANCOUVER — Over 3500 Japanese Canadians were registered during the period March 4 to March 31, registration officers reported to The New Canadian today.

Out of this number, there were 22 temporary cards issued, pending investigation and verification of information supplied. 75 per cent of these to date have been checked and verified as wholly in order, Sergeant Barnes said.

Registration began in Steveston Monday last, with four officers stationed in the community hall. Two of these are Japaneses-speaking. An average of 120 per day are passing through the office, the majority of whom are British subjects.

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## The Youth Congress

THE third provinical youth congress will differ from previous congresses in that it will take the form of an assembly of youth, rather than a conference of official delegates from various organizations. Its discussions, however, will revolve around essentially the same problems of youth, with emphasis upon employment conditions, political and democratic freedom, and the maintenance of social standards in the community. And no small part of the discussion in all groups, of course, will be devoted to a consideration of the effects upon this nation of an unprecedented all-out war effort.

In past years, Nisei delegates from various organizations have been called together and have attended the congress largely under the guidance of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League. To a very large extent delegates from the J.C.C.L. have organized caucus meetings, prepared discussion outlines and generally spoken on behalf of all Nisei present at the congress.

This year, however, it is to be hoped that second generation Japanese youth will take it upon their own individual initiative and responsibility to attend the congress representing any organization of which they are members. Pertinently enough, a section of the agenda is to be devoted to a study of racial discrimination in British Columbia.

With two years of experience and familiarity with the congress behind them, the many members of Nisei clubs and societies should feel quite at home in the assembly. They ought, by this time, to be able to enter the congress discussions freely and energetically, expressing as individuals their own ideas and opinions, rather than to remain indefinitely only as silent, passive cogs in a racial bloc, expressing a racial opinion.

## Practical Policy

A CONFERENCE of delegates from various Japanese Canadian organizations has promised its support of a plan to send comfort bags to Canadian soldiers overseas. Although we do not for a moment question the sincerity of members of the Canadian Legion who are backing this project, we do have some doubts as to its practical wisdom.

In our opinion it represents an avoidable duplication of organized efforts to provide very similar services to the men in the forces. At the present moment the Vancouver Japanese community alone is being asked to supply some $2000 for the current war services fund drive, which ultimately will find its way into benefits for the soldiers.

There are too, a number of existing funds today which call for support. To mention only one, there is the Lord Mayor's Fund, and significantly enough the City Council itself has rejected requests for tag days to benefit that fund.

There is a continuing demand from the Red Cross for donations of time, money and material, as well as the evident desire of small communities and organizations to make direct, voluntary contributions to the Department of National Defence at Ottawa.

The community, moreover, is being urged to restrict its purchases of goods in favour of war savings certificates, to secure revenue for Canada's Consolidated Revenue Fund. And all signs point toward the necessity of support for a new war loan flotation to close the gap between Government income and expense arising out of the new war budget.

And finally, although direct benefits to the community from the war boom and the expanding national income are relatively slight, increasing burdens of higher taxation and a rising cost of living are very real and heavy indeed.

The community must meet all these various drains upon its slender economic resources. The wisest policy is to concentrate upon those which promise to be most useful and effective from every point of view, and not to fritter away our scanty resources heedlessly upon relatively unimportant non-essentials.

## ● Americana

● *NISEI UNIONS*

Observing the American scene is something similar to seeing a trailer at a movie picture, because it's an oft-quoted fact that if the Canadian Nisei look south, they'll get an idea of what awaits them a decade from now.

Nowhere is this more true than of the labour scene, and significantly enough American Nisei yearly grow more conscious of the power of national organization. Several years ago we saw something of the organization of the Nisei local of the C.I.O. Cannery Workers' Union in Seattle.

Now last week, after five years of existence, an independent Nisei union, the Southern California Retail Produce Workers Union, voted itself out of existence, in favour of affiliating with the American Federation of Labour.

Under the new set-up, the Nisei union gains a status comparable to the numerous locals of the Retail Food Clerks' Union, such as we have in Vancouver. Amicable relations with Occidental labour, rather than the conflict and hostility of past years is the hope of all concerned.

The trend toward labour organizations in a democratic country is as inevitable as the turn of the seasons. There are many indications of it among British Columbia Nisei, and in ten years time don't be surprised if we talk as freely about the A. F. of L., the C.I.O., the I.W.A. and so forth, just as freely as we do about the J.C.C.L. or C.J.A.

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● *ARMY CAMPS*

Nisei will recall that the chief reason advanced by the Government for exemption of second generation Orientals from B. C. military training camps was the fear of "unfortunate incidents."

Surveying the situation in the Pacific Coast States, where the American Government disregarded such fears and called the Nisei up into one-year training camps, columnist Roku Sugahara comments:

"They are making good soldiers and are getting along well. A few of the boys don't care much for the Japanese and anything connected with Japan, so they drop a few nasty word every now and then. Aside from those casual comments, everything is rolling along very smoothly."

Personally, we always doubted very strongly that any such "unfortunate incidents" would occur, say at Vernon or Gordon Head. And with the increasing labour shortage, as well as the all-out sign out for recruiting, we may yet prove it to our satisfaction.

● *WHAT'S IN A NAME*

A Nisei, 'tis said, would smell as sweet by any other name. But life in the army camps has focused attention on the matter of the Americanization of Nisei names. There is a growing feeling that parents had better lay aside such classics as Kichisaburo and Yakichiro, in favour of something distinctively American, like "Buck" or "Slug."

It's not hard to imagine a drill sergeant accustomed to Smith and Jones getting apoplectic yelling orders at a Tamauyen or a Yanagiawa.

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*SHADOW*

*The sun*
*Measures a tree,*
*Makes a shadow to fit;*
*The shadow becomes lovelier*
*Than tree.*

—D.L.

## The Feminist Movement In Japan

*By Staff Writer*

ORDINARILY there are very few books written by Japanese that are of interest to the Nisei but "Facing Two Ways," written by Baroness Shidzue Ishimoto is unique. It does not deal with technical interest subjects or economics or politics. It deals with the widely presumed but little-written subject of a Japanese woman in present-day Japan, her slavish servitude to a moss-ridden tradition, her slow emergence from the cocoon of a passive life.

*This story of the life of Madam Ishimoto is a frank condemnation of the feudal tyranny of the family system in Japan as it affects the women; it is also a clear indictment of the attitude of the males, their supine indifference to the changing status of the women of New Japan.*

The tone of the whole book reveals a woman gifted with intelligence, strong in her convictions, courageous enough to act upon those principles among a people unused to a trail-blazing, pioneer woman. Her ultimate destiny seems to have been written in her stars, when one looks back at the circumstances of her childhood and young girlhood. Her father had travelled often to Europe, and from him there sifted into his family the first breath of the freer air of the western countries. Her uncle, Yusuke Tsurumi, opened her eyes still further and Dr. Nitobe encouraged her first small flutterings toward freedom of thought and action for women. Finally, it was her own husband who practically forced her to learn the self-supporting ways and life of the free American woman. And it was this American womanhood, as she saw it everywhere in the United States, when she visited that country, that became her ideal, the ideal which she sought to impress upon her fellow-women of Japan.

ALL the years from her childhood to young girlhood, Shidzue's mother found it difficult to bind this tomboyish daughter to the hide-bound precepts from the "ONNA DAIGAKU." This "body of wisdom" was written in the seventeenth century, laying down for the next three hundred years the rules governing woman and her inferior status to men. If I had the space I could tell you about some of the rules. They certainly are the acme of ridiculous pomposity and condescension.

Among the lower and middle classes this bible for Japanese women was not adhered to with anything equal to the fanatic tenacity of the upper classes. Small wonder that Madam Ishimoto rebelled. When she came back from America with her Crusader's zeal, her cry became:

"Cut the chains which bind the whole feminine population of Japan to the old feudal system!" And she declared in her fervour: "Only when the women of Japan shall have removed the fetters which cramp their thought and action will their real womanly graciousness shine forth beyond dispute!"

Towards the end of the book she discusses the marital unhappiness beneath a surface harmony, when the woman is fated to remain inarticulate, long-suffering because of tradition. She describes the husband who goes to search for pleasure in the tea-houses and among "geisha." She describes the wife who "knows well how the pressure of the family system kills every bud of human pleasure." The Baroness does not condemn the "geisha" as the enemy of wives, but she cries against the men, who "should be ashamed of taking advantage" of the helplessness of their wives. Why do they not do something about it?

Bitterly she comments on the universal fame of the Japanese woman as self-effacing, gentle, etc., etc. "Japanese women have cultivated the power of endurance to a remarkable degree. Their negative strength . . . control . . . our national pride in these negative virtues . . . have surely led men to extreme self-indulgence."

NOT only did the Baroness deplore the status of the custom-bound woman of the upper classes, but she also saw the inequality of treatment accorded the working woman. She had good reason to know, as she lived among the miners and their over-worked wives who had more children than they could care for, or even feed. She saw the horror of their situation and wondered what could be done for them. Then in America, she met Margaret Sanger, in whose crusade for intelligent birth control she found the answer. Madam Ishimoto returned to Japan to become the foremost advocate for birth control, especially among the working classes who could ill-afford too many children, from the standpoint of both health and economy.

A furor of public opinion for and against swept her to the headlines of every paper, big and little. Birth control became the most talked of subject in Japan. It finally reached the very miners she wished to help. They asked her to come to them and preach the new saving gospel. They even paid admission to hear her.

Such activities as hers were bound to come up against heavy odds.

In no time at all she became the cynosure of sharp criticism, and from the aristocratic classes at that. The same women who secretly yearned toward the breaking of feudal chains turned against their friends. Press and public stormed at her. At times her great courage faltered beneath the weight she carried that her countrywomen might be free, but never did she ever think of giving up.

Today she has a modern, up-to-date clinic for birth control, the equipment for which she bought out of her earnings when she went on a speaking tour of the States in 1932-33. She is still a young woman, tall and graceful. One would never associate her with the feminist movement by her looks, but her deeds speak for themselves. Japanese women will one day thank her for her fight on their behalf.

"Through such courage (as Baroness Ishimoto's) alone will the women of Japan be able to fashion life and labor in harmony with woman's needs, and advance into the future hand in hand with men."

# Femme Fare ...

● BY STAND-IN

SAY, Cindy, wait for me!

Phew! Why do you want to walk so fast for? I just wanted to ask you something about your column. How'd you know it would be about food? Oh? Well I do love good things to eat. Maybe that's why my weight pulls me down in the pinches, like walking fast, for instance.

Look, why don't you write about real Japanese dishes? Me? Oh no, I'm no authority on it. I just eat it.

Well, there's *sashimi* to start with. You know, the other day I was talking with some *hakujin* girls, and they were rather horrified that we eat raw salmon or something, all slippery and slimy and scaly, and sort of expect us to gobble it down whole. Ugh! They wanted me to tell all about how we go about it, so, I tried to remember what Mom used to do.

Mom always got a bit of fresh tuna, or sea-bass, or sturgeon, and cleaned off all skin and bones. Neatly you know, and not in ragged scratches. That way she'd have a long slice about an inch thick of uncooked fish, as pretty to look at as anything. Then she'd get a special thin knife and cut the fish into ½ inch slices and arrange them artistically on shredded lettuce, and garnish with grated *daikon*. Sometimes, when Mom was too busy to grate the *daikon*, I'd mix up a mess of mustard to go with the soy sauce we dipped the fish into before eating with hot rice.

Whoops! I'm hungry. How's about having lunch with me at *HAYASHI-YA*? They have the swellest chef.

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ISN'T this tray nice? I think for Japanese meals, it's so appropriate. Look, these lacquered bowls make the *miso* soup taste even better. Well, as I was saying about the *sashimi* business . . . . . say! this *maguro* is good! . . . . maybe there's other ways of eating them or decorating them. Maybe the chef knows. Let's ask him. O.K. O.K., I won't then. I just thought you'd like to know, that's all.

Yummy! This *su-miso-ai* just hits the spot. Even Mom can't make any better. What's this one, anyway? Cucumber, shrimps, *udo*. Um-m: I like Mom's asparagus tips in sweet *miso* and crushed toasted *goma*. You can do the same with fresh, slightly boiled string beans, too. Cold, of course, and when I eat it on a hot summer's day . . . . . oh heck! I know I'm a gourmet, but need you rub it in?

That reminds me . . . . . wait till I order some more soup, and another helping of this fish . . . . . Mom says I've got to learn how to make these things 'cause she never can dish up enough for me. Yesterday she made me make the *su-miso-ai*, and darn it, I put too much vinegar in. You have to have it just right, with the exact amount of sugar and *miso* that's been ground and ground to a smooth paste.

Another thing I love is *tempura*. M-m . . . . ; m-m . . . . !

I suppose there's ways and ways to make it, but the way Mom makes it suits me just fine. She gets the stuff all ready. You know, the shrimps, or filleted cod, or smelts, or whatever you have; sometimes *gobo*, string beans, sweet potatoes and the like. When necessary she cuts them to uniform size, dunks them in batter before dropping into the deep frying kettle. For that batter, she gets a couple of eggs, beats them slightly, adds a light cup of flour, some salt and sugar to taste, and a pinch of *aji-no-moto*. If of cold water, until it feels like a pan- the mixture is too thick, she adds a bit cake batter. She has the fat just the right heat, and after dipping each portion into the mixture, she starts frying.

Oh gee! If I hadn't eaten all this *sashimi* I could have ordered some *tempura*! Let's get out of here before I over-eat . . . . . n-no, no, I'm treating you. My treat. There!

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FUNNY, how we inherit this love of of Japanese dishes, isn't it, Cindy? Still, even if we did love 'em the way I do, I'd hate to have to eat them the formal way. Gosh, they say you can't turn a baked fish over and eat the other side! You're supposed to nibble at the food to show your disdain for the material comforts compared to the esthetic contemplation of a . . . . . what was I going to say. As if I could stand just nibbling.

Lordy, Cinderella! Don't laugh so loud.

Mom says if I ever ate *udon* in Japan, I'd slurp so awfully much that I'd lose caste right away. I like eating it straight out of the earthenware bowl it was cooked in. Some call it the *nabe-yaki-udon*, baked in-the-pot-noodles. With chicken and bamboo shoots and mushroom, sprinkled with toasted *nori*, and cooked in the hot soup made from chicken stock it sure is a dish for a cold night. Mom specializes in *udon* with *tempura* with chopped green onions.

Remember the time you came for supper and Mom had *teri-yaki* salmon? Wasn't that good! I tried it last week, and it burnt, because I had the heat too high in the broiling oven. Mom had to buy a new brush too, 'cause I made a mistake and used it to paint with. The brush? Oh, she uses it to brush on the soy sauce that's been sweetened with sugar and a taste of *sake*, or with just *mirin*. Where? She brushes the stuff onto the salmon slices as they are broiling! With clear soup and fresh spinach greens and a bit of *takuwan*, it makes a perfect meal.

Sure, I could go on all day about it, but as you say, it does sound piggish . . . . . and though it just can't be yet, I'm feeling hungry again!

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*SIGNALS*

*About us every hour, if we could see,*
*Stare the huge signals of infinity.*
*One small tree-shadow, as it slowly veers,*
*Speaks for the whirling earth and shifting*
*sphere.*

—*S.A.C.*

## HANG THIS UP BY YOUR TELEPHONE

● Listed here for your convenience are new telephone numbers of prominent business firms and professional men. All **MA rine** numbers are already in use, but PA cific numbers are to be used only after midnight, April 12.

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# Li'l Tokyo Rhapsody

I HAVE the greatest respect for Shinji.

Of course, many people will say that he is only a fruit store worker and perhaps that is all he will ever be.

Naturally, twenty dollars a week isn't so much money nor is it hardly enough to start a great fortune. But to Shinji it was enough to care for his mother and to help his younger sister through high school. Most of the other folks don't know this.

Shinji had hopes of going to college. He was a rather brilliant lad in high schools. Then tragedy struck, and he was called to support the family.

Shinji didn't complain and readily accepted the responsibility of being the sole support. I could see that he was disappointed in not being able to take the engineering course he had planned. Still, family ties and necessity literally forced him to pursue the work he did.

He was somewhat bitter and sullen at first. He would come home from work and never spoke a word at the dinner table or in the parlor after supper. Each week he would turn his money over to his mother without even a word of comment. Many of his boy friends were taking girls out to shows, playing pool, or having a good time. They told about their gaieties.

Many times Shinji would envy them, but again he accepted his destiny graciously and without malice.

For five years now Shinji has been playing the role of the obedient son. Then he started to think about marriage and a career. But he had to hold on to the job he had, so the matter of a career was out.

Then marriage. Of course, he didn't have enough resources to have a decent wedding, and he decided that he wouldn't be able to support a wife in addition to his mother and sister.

I guess no one paid much attention to Shinji; nor did they care. He was just another Nisei in our midst.

But Shinji was fortunate in knowing a girl like Kaoru. She was sympathetic and understanding, but more important, she was deeply in love with Shinji.

Just the other day they were married. Now they all live together and are getting along well. Both Shinji and Kaoru are working and everything is turning out fine.

These days I notice that Shinji is quite happy. He surely deserves it. Though fortune and fame may not be for him, his reward is to be found in his new found marital happiness.

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***Nisei Citizenship Probed!***

# Ishiwara Again Vancouver JCCL Head

A panel discussion on the problem of dual nationality high-lited the election meeting of the Vancouver Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens League, Thursday night at the Nippon Club, when pros and cons were thoroughly threshed out.

**Dr. George Ishiwara, popular Nisei dentist, was chosen by acclamation to lead the chapter for the second year as president; and Harry S. Kondo, active Gakuyukai and Bussei leader, will continue in the position of vice-president, also by acclamation.**

Dual nationality exists because a large number of Niseis have been brought up in a Japanese environment, Yoshimitsu Higashi declared. It is a necessary and valuable means of escape from a situation where you are not accepted as a Canadian, Kasey Oyama said.

Opposing dual nationality, Eiji Yatabe and Kinzie Tanaka stressed that if the Nisei call themselves Canadian and desire to be recognized as such, they could not hold two nationalities. Members joined in the discussion freely.

**Executive Members**

In elections during the meeting the following members were chosen for the executive for the year 1941-42: Yoshio T. Terada, treasurer; Eiji Yatabe, recording secretary; Hajime Suzuki, corresponding secretary; Kay Sasaki and Tomi Iwasaki, social convenors; and Cecil Okawara, Mark Toyama, Kazuko Kagawa, Kinzie Tanaka and Kiyoshi

## Palm Sunday Service

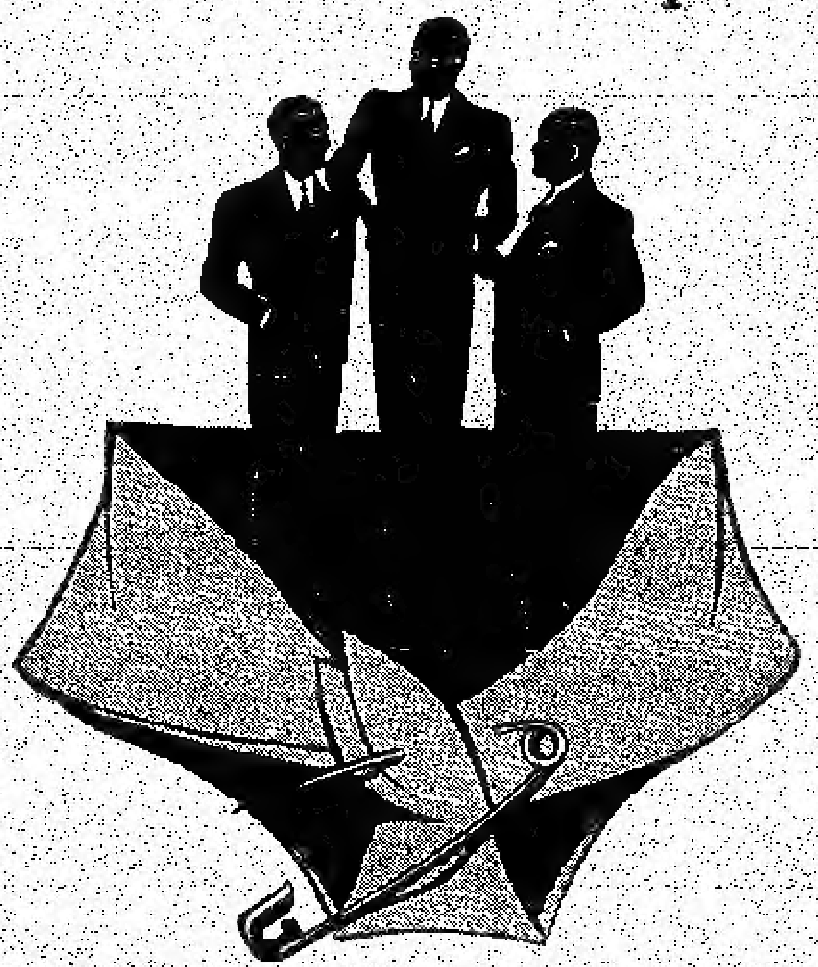
**The Junior Church will observe Palm Sunday on Sunday evening, April 6, at 7:30 o'clock in the Powell United Church.**

**Rev. K. Shimizu will preach on "Daring to Trust in God," and will administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.**

**Mr. Tatsuo Saumiya will sing a solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple," and the Choir will render two choral selections: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna," and "God So Loved the World."**

Gratification over his re-election was voiced to The New Canadian by the president, who said that the active co-operation of the executive in the past year had resulted in several difficult and very worthwhile projects being accomplished. "I am looking forward to another year of progress," he said "With the JCCL assuming a more prominent place as an organization of community service each day."


# All Men are Born Equal



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**All Work Together**

Irrespective of race, creed or age, residents of Ocean Falls unite in Red Cross work. The annual report lists donations from the Pacific Mills "pay roll," Japanese Association, Junior "Busy Bees," Rover Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Canadian Legion, St. Paul's Church and local unions, to the approximate amount of $6,000.

**Help for Greece**

Word has been received of emergency help given to the Greek Red Cross Society, with a total of 174,194 of evrey type of hospital supplies and knitted articles being sent. British Red Cross supplies ready to be shipped to Greece were destroyed by enemy action, so that the Red Cross transport staff worked nights and days to meet the emergency.


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# Gakuyukai Honours New Graduates

A novel musical program, featuring orchestral, vocal and instrumental numbers, and a musical quiz contest, will greet members of the "Futaba-kai", 1941 graduates of the Alexander School, when they are welcomed into the Gakuyukai this coming Sunday, April 6, at the Japanese School.

Guests of honour too will be the triumphant members of the Japanese League badminton championship team.

Committee members Lily Ide, Yutaka Okimura and Shima Ozawa, have been hard at work on the program, and each new member will be introduced with a poem dedicated to him or her. The social begins at 2 p.m.

Members of the new club were hosts last Sunday to all the teachers, when Principal T. Sato conferred upon them their name.

Heard in brief speeches were Hitoshi Wakabayashi, Teruko Tanabe, Toshiko Kawai, and Kenji Okuno, while members presented a gay program of music and skits.


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# Town Topics . . .

**Fukuoka Seinenkai . . .**

Hammond Hall on Sunday, April will be the scene of a gay party when members of the Fukuoka Seinenkai will be the guests of the city and Hammond young people. Commencing at 2:30 p.m., the event promises all those who attend a full programme of grand entertainment. All Fukuoka members are to gather at Hompa Temple by 1 p.m. and leave en masse by car.

**● Engagement Announced . . .**

The engagement has been announced of Nobuye, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tomekichi Hikida, 875 West 7th, to Mr. Takeo Kitamura of Fairview.

Mr. Kitamura, president of Fairview Y.M.B.A., and chairman of the board of directors of the Bussei League, is well known in the city for his interest in Bussei activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Kihei Ohtsuji and Rev. and Mrs. T. Hirahara were the baishakunin for the happy event.

**● Convention Bound . . .**

When the Fifth Annual Convention of the Rissho Young People meets at Portland on April 4, 5 and 6, John K. Deshima and Rev. Fukazawa will be the only delegates from Canada.

Mr. Deshima is the popular president of the Rissho Seinenkai, while Rev. Fukazawa is connected with the Nichiren Temple in the city.

**● Bridal Showers . . .**

Miss Frances Fukushima, who is to be married to Mr. Ted Sakamoto during the latter part of this month, was guest of honour at a kitchen shower given by many friends last Thursday evening, April 3, at the home of Miss Koto Yatabe, 2818 Yew Street.

Miss Ruth Akagawa and Mrs. I. Weda will be co-hostesses at the latter's home at 2334 6th Avenue West, at a miscellaneous shower in honour of Miss Mary Kato, popular April bride-elect.

**● Nisei Players . . .**

The weekly meeting of the Nisei Players will be held on Tuesday, April 8, commencing 8:15 p.m., at Carleton Clay's Studio on Granville Street.

Members are rehearsing every week for the new spring presentation. A varied group of plays have already been cast, but any one still wishing to join is cordially invited.

**● Week-ending . . .**

Among Nisei visitors making a flying visit to the city last week-end were Miss Masa Takahashi and her Brother Kenji, from Victoria.


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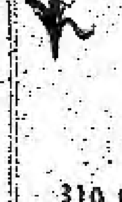

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## ★ Calendar

**APRIL**

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5—Japanese Basketball Social, Orange Hall, 8.30 p.m. Gentlemen, 25c, Ladies, 15c.

6—Joint Social of Fukuoka, Hammond and Haney Seinens, Hammond Hall, 2.30 p.m.

8—Nisei Players, Carleton Clay's Studio, 8.15 p.m.

10—Spring Frolic, Stanley Park Pavilion, 9-1 a.m., $1.00 a couple.

13—Kumamoto Seinenkai Get-together, Fuji, 6.00 p.m. Tickets, 75c a couple, 50c each, or Dance alone, 10c.

17—Red Cross Buffet Supper, 2751 E. Pender St., 25c.

26—Powell United Church W. M. S. Bazaar.

**● Spring Frolic . . .**

We've consulted the lunar calendar and the weather man, and discovered that the moon will be at its loveliest and fullest, and the weather the mildest, on April 10, when the Vancouver J.C.C.L. holds its Third Annual Spring Frolic at beautiful Stanley Park Pavilion.

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**● Strictly Stag Affair . . .**

A strictly stag affair will see three well-known young men bow out from the ranks of bachlerhood this Saturday, April 5, when Harry Naganobu, Edward T. Ouchi and Harry K. Shibuya, all three of whom will middle aisle it this month, will be the unfortunate guests. The no-host affair will be held at the home of Dr. George Ishiwara.

## *Eyestrain May Be A Nervous Strain*

Eyestrain is a very subtle thing, it may or may not evidence itself in such obvious things as fatigue or headaches. It may, on the other hand, result in general nerve exhaustion, or any of several associated conditions. When your eyes call on your nervous system for more vital force than is usually needed, that force must be taken from some other organ in the body. There is no attempt here to hurry you to some Optometrist to have your eyes examined — but such a move on our part may be the better part of wisdom. The pace at which we live and the fifteen or sixteen hours of eye-work every day, makes extra precaution worthwhile. One thing sure—if your Optometrist finds your eyes are normal and needs no correcting lenses, he will tell you so. W. B. Pitman, House, 805 West Hastings St., Vancouver.

**Governor to Present Award to Nisei of the Year**

SALT LAKE CITY. — Plans for an elaborate ceremony to mark the presentation of the Yamagata Award to Mike Masaoka, chosen as Nisei of the year are under way. Governor Herbert Maw of Utah is expected to make the presentation and a radio broadcast of the event is being arranged.

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### *This Niseiville . . .*

# Matrimony Seems To Be The Rage

April, one of the loveliest months in the year, has been chosen as Niseiville's romantic month, with several well-known Nisei couples taking their marriage vows.

**Naganobu—Kato**

At a late afternoon ceremony in the Powell United Church on April 9, Mary Mariko, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sadagoru Kato, will become the bride of Mr. Harry Hachiro Naganobu, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Naganobu of New Westminster.

A reception for the friends and relatives of the principals will be held at the Fuji immediately after the ceremony.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Uchida were the baishakunin.

**Ouchi—Chiba**

At a quiet ceremony on April 14 at the home of the bride's parents, Betty Yoko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Chiba, and Mr. Edward Takeshi Ouchi will exchange marriage vows.

After the ceremony, a reception for members of the family and a few close friends will be held at the home of the bride's parents.

**Shibuya—Tanabe**

The Powell United Church on April 17, at 6:00 p.m., will be the setting for the marriage of Hisako, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kichihei Tanabe, to Mr. Harry K. Shibuya.

At 7:00 o'clock, a reception for friends of the couple will be held at the Fuji.

Principal and Mrs. T. Sato, Dr. and Mrs. E. Miyake acted as nakodos for the happy event.

**Sakamoto—Fukushima**

Miss Frances Fukushima of this city, formerly of Ocean Falls, and Mr. Ted Sakamoto of O'Brien Bay, will be united in marriage at an evening ceremony on May 6th, at Powell United Church with Rev. William Deans officiating.

After the wedding a reception will be held at the Powell United Church.

**Ikeno—Watanabe**

Fraser Valley, Vancouver and Woodfibre circles will be particularly interested in the announcement made last Sunday of the engagement of Erma Chieko Watanabe, eldest daughter of Mrs. T. Watanabe, to Kunio Ernest Ikeno, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Ikeno, of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ariga, baishakunins, conducted the engagement ceremony at the home of the bride-elect.

**Miike—Tobo**

A gracious Easter ceremony is presaged for the Holy Cross Anglican Mission, Saturday, April 12, when Rev. W. H. Gale will join two popular local young people in holy matrimony. They are Hisako Tobo, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Tobo, and Mr. Mundo Miike, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. U. Miike, of Marpole.

Friends and relatives will wish them well at a reception at the Fuji following the ceremony.


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# NEWSPAPER OF THE NISEI WORLD

## Royal City Hums With Nisei Doings

The Royal City is humming with activity these days, such as it has not seen for many, many years.

**Y.P.S. Bulletin**

Citizenship Convenor Kay Okihiro gave a talk on the correct method of carrying on a business meeting at their regular gathering on March 9.

The Church Service of March 16 was conducted in English by the Young People. Guest speaker was Dr. Hennigar, who returned to Canada recently, after 35 years in Japan.

March 23rd. After a short business meeting, members of the Y.P.S. joined in with other Canadian societies in a Song Service at the Oliver Baptist Church.

**Y.M.B.A.**

Sponsored by the N. W. Y. M. B. A., four local clubs united to send entrants to an Oratorical Nite, March 16, at the local Buddhist Hall.

Frank Oda and Tugio Shinohara took the platform for the Taiiku Club, Naomi Tanaka for Shiseikai, Kazumi Shintani and Kay Okihiro for Do-So-Kai, and Don Yokota for the Y. M. B. A.

Hiroshi Terakawa was chairman and the Messrs. Amemori, Tainaka and Okihiro comprised the elder speakers. Adjudicator was Mr. Tanaka.

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With due and gracious ceremony, the New Westminster School celebrated its 23rd Graduation Day, March 23.

Speakers from various clubs highlighted the first part of the program. The young pupils then presented an entertaining concert with songs, recitations and skits, while the Do-So-Kai rounded out the concert with a tragic drama, "Saraba Sen-sen."

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April 13. No, it's not Friday!!! Keep that date open—jot it down now—attend the super-colossal "Easter Parade", a gigantic musical and drama show. N. W. Taiikuites are busy with rehearsals for the "Easter Parade" that promises to surpass any previous concert in Royal City history.

## Englewood Edgings

A recent visitor here was Rev. W. R. McWilliam, of New Westminster, who gave us his own opinion of the second generation in a short talk. On Sunday, March 16, Rev. J. Kabayama dropped in from Ocean Falls, and we again had the pleasure of listening to both gentlemen. On Monday they conducted a service for us, and left the next day for Ocean Falls.

We all hope that Rev. McWilliam will return here before very long, and are looking forward to the time when he decides to come here on his vacation to stay awhile.

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Well, Englewood has its own special weather back again. Rain! Rain! Rain! We expect it of course at this time of the year. Unfortunately for the ball players, the grounds are so wet. But let's hope they keep up the good efforts they started a few Sundays ago.

## Surrey Y.M.A. To Hold Roller Roundup

**The Surrey Young Men's Association plans one more gala event before the curtain falls on the social activities for this spring.**

**It's a Grand Roller Social for all. Come friends, and join us in one evening of music and fun on rolling wheels.**

**The day—April 12, Saturday; place — Milner Hall; time—8 p.m., and delicious refreshments.**

**A cordial invitation is extended to friends far and near to help make this last skatefest of the season a whooping success.**

## Langley Lyrics

**Successful Skatefest!**

On and on to nowhere! The largest crowd ever to attend a roller skating session at Milner's "Happyland" Hall rolled away their cares at the Langley Nisei Club Skating Frolic on March 15. Two Fraser Mills boys carried home the prizes — two large Easter baskets.

**Net proceeds of $12 were donated to the local branch of the Red Cross Society.**

To our many supporters from Surrey, New Westminster and way points, the club extends its hearty thanks.

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**Disa . . . n . . Data . . .**

Many new acquaintances were made and we hope that Toby et al will return some future day. . . . . How that popular "handsome" one does get around! Why not give the others a chance? . . . . . Seen lately — many out-of-the-district cars lobbying down Langley Lanes. What's the great attraction fellows? . . . . Why does everybody pick on "Cinderella" these days? Don't take it too seriously "Cindy".

P.S. To Prince Charming—Sorry that I forgot to mention beautiful Mt. Lehman. Hope that she will not mind though.

## Coombs Courier

## Form Safety Club Against Accidents

**Safety Club Organized**

Mr. Roy Lehman, inspector of the Workmen's Compensation Board, was a visitor to the Cameron Lake Logging Camp, where he organized a Safety Club among the employees.

George Obokata was elected chairman and Fred Kobayashi secretary of the group, which in turn is divided into the following sub-groups: Falling and Bucking, Donkey Crew, Truck Drivers, and Road Gang.

Purpose of the Safety Club is to study means whereby logging accidents may be cut down.

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The "Songbird of Vancouver," Miss Grace Terakita, was a recent visitor here, visiting her brothers of the Cameron Lake Logging Co. camp.

We welcome back Mutsuo Terakita, who has returned from Vancouver, where he had been recuperating from injuries suffered in a logging accident early in January; and Yasuhiro Kaga, of Cumberland, another accident victim.

Mr. Murakami, of Empress Studios in Vancouver, recently visited Coombs, where he showed some very fine examples of coloured motion pictures, and also photographed members of the Japanese colony in preparation for the Registration.

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Mr. K. Motokado is now confined to his home, after suffering painful shoulder injuries when he was hit by a falling branch during logging operations.

New arrivals at the Cameron Lake Logging Co. Camp are Mr. and Mrs. M. Murai and family, formerly of Fanny Bay, and Mr. M. Arata.

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A bouncing baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vic Saunier, driver for the Company, in the Alberni General Hospital on the morning of the 22nd.

Last week we received quite a shock from the weatherman. We thought spring was here to stay with the sun shining in all its splendour; birds were singing, chicks were hatching, flowers were blossoming. In fact it seemed as if Summer were just around the corner when, of all things, the sky darkened, rain fell and surprises of surprises, it started to snow. It didn't last very long but on the higher hills it stayed for several days.

## PALDI PARADE

Greetings everyone, this is your old M. B. T. announcer from this small hamlet back again after several months lay-off.

**War Services . . .**

Every Japanese employed in the logging operations of the Mayo Bros. Tbr. Co. donated a day's wages to the War Services Fund Drive sponsored by the Canadian Legion, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Salvation Army, I. O. D. E., and K. of C.

**Logging Accidents . . .**

Bob Mochizuki was rushed by speeder and ambulance two weeks ago to the hospital in Duncan suffering from internal injuries sustained in a logging accident. We are glad to announce that after undergoing two operations he is now well on the road to recovery.

The popular "glamour" boy at Paldi, Yoshio Toyota, had the misfortune to break his left arm above the elbow on Saturday morning, March 22, at the Mayo Bros.' operations. He is confined to the King's Daughters Hospital in Duncan.

Mr. M. Baba is now back at work after being confined to the hospital with a blood-poisoned hand.

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Taking up residence in Paldi are Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Miles, brother of Mr. D. Miles, woods superintendent here. Mr. H. Miles is popularly known to his friends as "Buzz".

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## Divoteers Shoot For Matsunaga Cup In No Handicap Event

Nippon Golf Club's first major tournament will take place this Sunday when members will go 36 holes of medal play to determine the spring champion and holder of the Matsunaga Cup.

Defending champion "Jackson" Katsukawa, though favored to repeat, will be hard pressed by the other members of the "Big Four" of the Club, George Isogai, Herby Tanaka and Reg. Yasui.

Outside of these four only George Ogino, Jim Suzuki and Mickey Maikawa are conceded an outside chance of placing in the money. To make things interesting for the rest of the members, a first prize of half a dozen balls will be posted for the winner of the handicap division.

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Hastings Park Dub Club will essay its first genuine tournament to keep pace with the major leaguers from Langara on Good Friday.

If enough divoters from Hastings willing to take part will give their names to the Sports Editor of The New Canadian, along with their approximate scores, as soon as possible, an eighteen-hole handicap tourney can be organized, with brand new balls to shoot for.

## Shuttlers Call It Quits on Big Year

**The shuttling nights are over. With the final "big event", the first international badminton tournament of its kind in Vancouver's Nihonmachi, the local badminton league concluded its fourth year of successful activities. The 'Mat'-Matsui-directed bird game reached an all-time high, not only in activities within the club, but outside as well. Entering the Greater Vancouver Athletic Association's badminton loop for the first time, the Nipponese reps made a very favourable showing that won high acclaim from their Occidental opponents.**

**Given a chance to take part in competitive league matches this year because of the exclusion of more seasoned G.V.A.A. players, many newcomers, hardly noticed before sprang into the shuttle limelight. Given another year of seasoning, Director Matsui believes some of them will attain standards equal to our topnotchers of today.**

In the recent International Shuttle meet against Seattle, the locals proved conclusively that a couple of years' head-start makes a big difference to the game. The Americans although trying to the best of their ability, were able to win only three games of the 24 played,

There were however, among the visitors, many promising tyros who should in a couple of years offer much keener competition. Miss Nomura and Mariko Kondo, well-known in Vancouver as a Rokka skier, chalked up the first victory for the visitors beating Teiko Ide and Chiyo Hyodo 11—7. Art Sasaki and Lily Sasaki bested Lily Ide and Mas Toyota in a hard-fought deuce game 17—16, and for the Americans' final win, Esther Sakai and M. Kanazawa took the mixed doubles from Kay Uyeno and Mas Yatabe 15—9.

*East Richo-chats . . . . . . by chatter*

## Farmers Urged to Rest on Sundays

**Canadian Standards . . . .**

A plea to try as far as possible to complete the week's work on the farm by Saturday in order to keep Sunday as a day of rest, was heard at last week's meeting of the Parents' Association, from T. Suda, prominent local resident.

**"No doubt we always have before us a great deal of unfinished work, especially when the weather is bad," Mr. Suda declared, "but could we not try to accomplish enough during week days to be able to relax on Sundays? At least we should strive for this until the plants begin to bear fruit, when of course we cannot avoid working if we are to prepare shipments to the Monday market."**

This correspondent heartily agrees with Mr. Suda's remarks. "When in Rome, do as the Romans do" is an old saying, and we on our part should try to do as Canadians do in reserving Sunday as a day for relaxation."

**Baseball Dance . . . .**

Although the date has not yet been definitely settled, the rendezvous for the Riverside Baseball Club's pre-season dance and social will be the East Richmond Hall (Nakanoshiku) in East Richmond, at the corner of Hamilton and Dyke Rd.

Excellent music and tasty refreshments are being arranged for the event, and the nominal fee is only 35c per person. Tickets will be available from all members, and in New Westminster from the West End Confectionery, 875 Columbia St.

It's rumoured, too, that the date will be the 19th of April.

Come on you fellows, better start dating her up now, and be ready for the date as soon as it's announced in this paper.

**Dots and Dashes . . . .**

Riverside pitcher Y. Nakashima was caught limbering up his trusty pegs on Sunday, and I'd say his form is sweet to watch, and his pitches travelling over that plate faster than last year . . . . Catcher "Dynamite" Tom Oikawa is holding on to that ball as if there were glue in his mitt.

## Berry Growers to Get Export Licence

NEW WESTMINSTER. — Large numbers of Fraser Valley berry growers are breathing easier this week with the assurance that they will receive payment for a large portion of last year's processed strawberry and raspberry crop.

Packed in sulphur dioxide in the 300-pound barrels, the berries have been in storage here, in Mission and Haney since early last summer, awaiting an export licence from the British Food Ministry. Although they had been sold on consignment to British firms, it was impossible to secure this licence.

The Federal Government this week, however, received a letter of credit from the British Government covering payment for the fruit.

Growers will receive the money, amounting to $155,000 as soon as the berries are placed on ships for Great Britain. It is expected that the export licence will be issued next week, and the 11,000 long tons will be loaded onto railway cars.

Cash thus provided for the farmers thus comes at a most opportune time, when many growers were anticipating difficulties in financing the picking and packing of this year's crop.

*Capital City Chatter . . . . by ioni gossippe*

## Old-Timers Trounced in Cage Finale

VICTORIA. — The curtain came down on the 1940-41 basketball season here with a grand finale being played between a combined Taiyo-JCCL squad and the youthful Beavers.

The first quarter found the smoother-functioning "youngsters" running rings around the "old-timers", and the score stood at 12-0 at the whistle for the Beavers. They continued the torrid pace in the second canto, boosting their lead to 26-2 at half-time. From then on the teams battled on even terms, but unable to overcome the tremendous lead, the "old-timers" emerged on the very short end of a 48-21 trouncing.

Beavers: Thomas Kuwabara 14, Ken Kuwabara 2, Yon Sshimizu 10, Hide Ioi 4, Mitsuo Kawasoe 4, Pete Hasegawa 4, Stum Shimizu 10. Total 48.

"Old-Timers": Harold Kawasoe, Masao Kuwabara 6, Muneo Kawasoe 2, Muss Okamoto 4, S. Kuwata 6, Sly Ioi 1, Geo. Hasegawa, Jimmy Shimizu 2. Total 21.


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# Here's Our All-Star Cage Quintette

## The Year's Highlights!

Basketball plays its grand finale this Saturday night in the form of a banquet and dance. Its been a most eventful season and the most successful so far. Again tribute of high honor must be paid to director of basketball **Mi Akiyama** for 'putting it over'. His unceasing efforts on behalf of the young boys and girls of this community through basketball is something to be commended none too lightly. From almost complete obscurity he has made basketball one of the most popular major sports in our community.

It's the custom at the finish of the season for the officials to rub their noses together and solve out the touchy problem of who's the most valuable, who's dis and who's dat? Of course a couple of All-Star teams thrown in too. No doubt the officials agreed there ain't no such things so they forgot all about it.

**Onizuka's Selections**

Now if this writer were given a chance to pick, it would be something like this: At centre, **Shig Ashikawa**. Shig has fallen off badly this year and his 99 points in 8 games looks miserly besides his 243 points in 13 games last year, but nevertheless he still maintains hold on the top rank of the local hoop front.

As forwards, the choice would be **George Suzuki** and **Toru Tokawa**. George has slipped too, but he still can dribble faster than any other player in the league and his corner shots are still effective enough to give him second rank in the league's individual scoring. **Toru Tokawa** is a 'natural!' He's the lad that made such a grand showing against the Fife Nippons and is the most promising rookie in the league.

For guard position, the pick would be undoubtedly **Joe Akiyama** and **Yosh Ishida**. Joe is still tops in the back field position. His tendency to roughen the game a bit gets him in trouble often, but nevertheless he's the guard every team can use. Yosh Ishida, I pick on his past performance in the playoffs. His ability to check and keep down such high scorers as Shig Ashikawa warrants a position on rep team anyday.

**Second Team**

**There's always a second team and before the brickbats start coming my way I'll just rattle them off. Centre, Yuki Uno; forwards, George Ide and Harry Nikaido; and guards, Baron Wakabayashi and Kaz Suga. I hope the readers aren't too critical.**

**Reviewing the championship teams.** First of all Maikawa's twice champions of the senior league. Truly they are a wonder team. Harry's were the odds on favourites, and dazzled other teams, but not Maikawa. The champs made up for the razzle-dazzle by flashing plenty of fight. For instance, **Kaz Suga** who took over the team after **Michi Ashikawa** left, no other fellow in the whole league trys as hard as he does to win.

Yosh Ishida proved himself a valuable guard in the finals. Shig Ashikawa's comparatively low percentage of baskets was largely due to the expert checking Mr. Ishida. **George Ide**, too, proved an immense help. His deadliness on foul shots played a big part in Maikawa's victory.

**Intermediate Champs**

The intermediate finals also went to the third game with **Monarchs** emerging victorious over the twice champion **Marpole** squad by a lone basket in the third game. It was too bad that Marpole were not able to field their strongest team, but that would hardly be a substantial alibi. Monarchs won, and they deserve all the congratulations tendered to a championship team.

The babies of the league, the **Juniors**, are the bunch that are going to uphold the honor of the basketball league some day. Already they possess remarkable shots and understand the fundaments of the game much more thoroughly than some of the seniors. These young prospects will be advanced to a higher league and in their places will come another batch of beginners, keeping a steady inflow of youngsters interested in basketball. What the future has in store for the cage game depends solely on these youngsters.

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# Asahis Send SOS To Rookies For Tryouts

The first dose of spring fever has passed, and now the boys, big and small, regulars or subs, are hard at it prepping up for the rapidly approaching diamond season. First and foremost to take up preparations are the Nihon-machi's pride, the Asahis. This Sunday from 12 noon, they will hold their first real workout. All players are requested to be out and anyone desiring a chance to make the team is specially urged to come out. They will be given every consideration.

**Fancy Label**

This year the Burrard League has changed its name to a much fancier label, the **Burrard Senior Amateur League**. Since Bob Brown, owner of the Vancouver Maple Leafs, has been concentrating his efforts on pro baseball, the long active senior amateur league on Sixth's avenue's green pastures, has taken a decided turn to the bad and this year finally broke up.

**Many of the senior leaguers that just can't shake the memories of horsehide and hickory will migrate in hordes to Powell Grounds, situated right in the heart of Vancouver's li'l Tokyo, to form the strongest amateur baseball league in Vancouver.**

The strong Angelus Hotel and Diethers will be the two new additions that will replace Sacred Hearts and the Westerns.

Angelus Hotel will be headed by a veteran Terminal leaguer, Jimmy Condon, no doubt aided and abetted by the fiery Coley Hall, whose spontaneous verbal eruptions have been listed as one of the sports wonders of Vancouver. Diethers will be led by another well-known ball-player, Ed Henry, who has played a good many years at Athletic Park as one of its top-notch catchers.

Last year's Burrard League runner-up, Patricia Hotel, rounds out the four-team loop with manager 'Major' Pattison again at its helm. Patricia Hotel gave the Asahis their only worry last year and were only bested after a tough final series that saw three games called due to darkness.

The first gun announcing the grand opening of the Burrard Senior League will boom off on Saturday, May 3rd.

## ● Sport SPOTLITE

No more will the major winter sports such as basketball, badminton and other indoor sports be featured on the different sports pages. Instead baseball, baseball and more baseball from the Japanese league, the Intercity league, Bussei league and Asahis will grace the headlining banners for the next five months to come.

**● Japanese League**

The Japanese League had threatened to fold up completely this year with the ban on Ichigun players, but since being reinstated, the league has decided to carry on with only three teams, namely the defending champions Union Fish, Giants, who will carry T. Maikawa Store's colors for the first time, and lastly, the strong Powell Drugs.

**● Girls' Sandlot**

Interest is still keen for the proposed girls' softball league so with this in mind, girls who are interested are asked to give their names to Haruko Maruno, downtown, Akiko Yoshinaka in Fairview, and Joyce Ikeda in the East End. Others may contact this office and leave their names. This writer will busy himself this weekend endeavoring to round up a few sponsors who would be willing to hand out the necessary shekels to get bats and balls.

**● Tennis Troubles**

Up at the Nippon Tennis Club preparations for this season's plays have not been exactly humming, but the court officials expect the three dirt courts to be ready for use in a couple of weeks.

**The first tennis club meeting will be held Sunday, April 13, at the Tairiku Nippon Hall from 8 p.m. All members and especially prospective members are asked to attend.**

This year the drastic change at all public courts is going to result in a swelling of the Nippon Club membership. This drastic change is that public courters will no longer be able to play at will from sun-up till sun-down without a care in the world. In the future public courters will be charged 40c per hour. Public courters, you'd better join The Nippons early or it's going to be too late.

**● Cage Wind-up**

The Japanese Basketball League will wind up with a big bang-up social and supper this Saturday night.

The Dance is to be held at the Orange Hall. You are assured of a good time at only a cost of 25c for gentlemen and 15c for ladies. Free coca-colas will be given out at intermission. The dance starts at 8 o'clock and since we're only allowed till 12 midnight, the public is urged to come out early and enjoy itself to the limit.

**Preceding the dance will be a supper at the Sun Pekin from 6:30 p.m. Every member of the league whether seniors, intermediates, juniors or girls is asked to turn out.**

The cost of supper will be 50c for seniors, 35c for the girls and 25c for the juniors.

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